

REMARKS

Reconsideration is requested for claims 1, 3-4, 11, and 14.

Claims 1-4 and 12-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,595,771 to *Foltuz et al.* Claims 8-11, 16, and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Foltuz et al.* *Foltuz et al.* describes a mold and a method for using the mold, but does not disclose a method for making a mould as claimed. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims define patentably over *Foltuz et al.*

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Allowance is cordially urged.

If the Examiner should be of the opinion that a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any outstanding issues, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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